

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for reducing [[the]] noise [[of]] generation in a turbo engines engine with blade cascades, said method comprising:

reducing (S1, R1; S2, R1; S3, R3; S4, R4), characterized in that hydrodynamic pressure fluctuations occurring on the cascades (S1, R2; S2, R1; S3, R3; S4, R4) are reduced by varying [[the]] a surface circulation of at least a section of at least one stator (S1, S2, S3, S4).

Claim 2 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the surface circulation of one or more blades [[(S)]] of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) is varied.

Claim 3 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the aerodynamic characteristics of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) are varied through the deflection of at least one ~~or more blades~~ (S) blade or sections thereof.

Claim 4 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 2 [[or 3]], ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein aerodynamic characteristics of the

stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) are varied by air flowing into ~~one or more blades (S)~~ or flowing out of at least one or more blades (S) blade.

Claim 5 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to ~~any one of the claims 2—4~~ claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein several blades ~~[(S)]~~ of a stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) are controlled individually or corresponding with a delay to ~~[(the)]~~ separation and rotational speed of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) ~~with a~~ delay.

Claim 6 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein at least one of phase position ~~and/or the~~ and amplitude of ~~[(the)]~~ control is regulated ~~by means of~~ in response to error signals.

Claim 7 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 1, ~~any one of the above claims, characterized in that the~~ wherein surface circulation of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) is varied periodically.

Claim 8 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to claim 7, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a control frequency of ~~[(the)]~~ periodic ~~method~~ variation corresponds to ~~[(the)]~~ a base frequency of ~~[(the)]~~ tonal noise resulting from the product of the rotor blade number and the rotational speed.

Claim 9 (currently amended): [[A]] The method according to ~~any one of the claims 1—4~~, ~~characterized in that~~ claim 4, wherein air is blown out continuously on ~~[(the)]~~ a trailing edge of at least one or more blades (S) of blade

of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) so as to harmonize the in a manner which
harmonizes circulation of downstream cascades.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A rotor-stator arrangement,
~~characterized in that~~ means (11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17) comprising:

a rotor;

a stator; and

means provided on at least one stator, for influencing [[the]] surface
circulation of at least one section of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4) ~~are provided on~~
~~one or more stators (S1, S2, S3, S4).~~

Claim 11 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement
according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said means (11, 12,
13, 14, 15, 16, 17) ~~are one or more~~ comprises at least one leading edge flaps (12)
flap disposed on at least one ~~or more~~ blades blade of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4).

Claim 12 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement
according to claim 10, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said means (11, 12,
13, 14, 15, 16, 17) ~~are~~ comprises at least one ~~or more~~ trailing edge flaps (13) flap
disposed on at least one ~~or more~~ blades blade of the stator (S1, S2, S3, S4).

Claim 13 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement
according to ~~any one of the claims 10—12,~~ ~~characterized in that~~ one or more

blades claim 10, wherein at least one blade of the stator ~~(S1, S2, S3, S4)~~ are is movable about a predefined axis.

Claim 14 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement according to ~~any one of the claims 10—13, characterized in that on one or more blades~~ claim 10, wherein at least one blade of the stator ~~(S1, S2, S3, S4)~~ has at least one ~~or more~~ movable surface elements ~~(14)~~ are provided element.

Claim 15 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement according to ~~any one of the claims 10—14, characterized in that on the~~ claim 10, wherein at least one opening is provided on a surface of at least one ~~or more~~ blades blade of the stator, ~~(S1, S2, S3, S4) one or more openings (15, 16) are~~ provided for taking in ~~and/or~~ or blowing out air.

Claim 16 (currently amended): [[A]] The A rotor-stator arrangement according to ~~any of the claims 10—15, characterized in that on the~~ claim 10, wherein at least one opening is provided on a trailing edge of at least one ~~or more~~ blades ~~(S)~~ blade of the stator, ~~(S1, S2, S3, S4) one or more openings (17) are~~ provided for continuously blowing out air.

Claim 17 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement according to ~~any one of the claims 10—14, characterized in that mechanically, electrically, piezo-electrically, hydraulically or pneumatically operated~~ claim 10, wherein:

actuators are provided for ~~the purpose of~~ influencing [[the]] movement of
[[the]] said means ~~(11, 12, 13, 14); and~~

said actuators are operated by a technique which is one of mechanical,
electrical, piezo-electrical, hydraulic and pneumatic..

Claim 18 (currently amended): [[A]] The rotor-stator arrangement
according to ~~any one of the claims 10—17, where if necessary a method according~~
~~to any one of the claims 1—8 is employed~~ claim 10, wherein hydrodynamic
pressure fluctuations occurring on the cascades are reduced by varying the
surface circulation of at least a section of at least one stator.

Claim 19 (original): An engine comprising a rotor-stator arrangement
according to claim 18.

Claim 20 (original): An airplane comprising an engine according to
claim 19.